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LIGNITE BASED POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the States where Lignite-based power projects are being commissioned;

(b) the capacity of each such power project;

(c) whether certain State Governments have signed any Memorandum of Understanding with Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) for setting up Lignite-based power project; and

(d) if so, the salient features of such MoU?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) & (b) : The States where lignite based power projects are being commissioned and the capacity of each such power project is given below:

S.No.	Project Name	Capacity	State
1.	Neyveli TPS-II Extn.	2x250 MW	Tamil Nadu
2.	Barsingsar Lignite TPP	2x125 MW	Rajasthan
3.	Kutch Lignite Extn.	1x75 MW	Gujarat
4.	Giral TPP	1x125 MW	Rajasthan
5.	Giral-II TPP	1x125 MW	Rajasthan
6.	Surat Lignite TPP	2x125 MW	Gujarat

(c) & (d) : Yes, Sir. Neyveli Lignite Corporation(NLC) had signed a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding(MOU) with Ministry of Coal, Government of India and Government of Rajasthan on 10.6.2002 for development of lignite deposits, their mining and lignite based power project in Bikaner District of Rajasthan with special emphasis on Palana Barsingsar-Gurha Bithnok area.

Further, NLC had signed MOU with Government of Gujarat on 28.7.2006 for jointly establishing an integrated mine-cum-power project of 1000 MW in Sough Gujarat in the first phase, with addition of 500 MW in the second phase, subject to availability of lignite reserves. NLC will have share of 74% to 89% in the equity capital of the proposed Joint Venture Company leaving balance 26% to 11% to be invested by Government of Gujarat.

The MOUs signed outline the responsibilities of the Stakeholders for development of the projects.